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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS FROM AMBASSADOR DEAN

1. I SAW SECTYGENERAL GARCIA BEDOYA RE SAN JOSE CONFERENCE LATE THIS AFTERNOON (JULY 11). I EXPLAINED OUR STRATEGY OR EXPECTED APPROACH AND MADE ALL MAIN POINTS CONTAINED REFTEL INCLUDING OUR HOPE FOR REASONABLE RIO TREATY REFORM PROPOSALS AND DESIRE IN ANY CONSULTATION PROCESS TO AVOID ABSOLVING CASTRO OR CUBAN GOVERNMENT OF BLAME FOR ACTIONS WHICH WERE ORIGINAL BASIS FOR RIO TREATY SANCTIONS. GARCIA BEDOYA SEEMED TO HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH EITHER OF THESE CONCERNS AND INDICATED HIS AND PRESUMABLY GOPS WILLINGNESS TO GO ALONG WITH THIS APPROACH. HE SHOWED KEEN INTEREST IN OUR WILLINGNESS TO PROCEED TO ORGAN OF CONSULTATION MEETING AT SAN JOSE, PROVIDED AFOREMENTIONED PITFALLS WERE AVOIDED AND NECESSARY 2/2 VOTE OBTAINED, AND SAID THAT ALTHOUGH HE COULD NOT ATTEND SAN JOSE MEETING HE WOULD BRIEF AMBASSADOR MARCHAND ON OUR CONVERSATION AND INSTRUCT HIM TO WORK CLOSELY WITH AMBASSADOR MAILLARD TO ACHIEVE OUTCOME WE BOTH SEEM TO FAVOR. GARCIA BEDOYA INDICATED THAT ALVARADO'S ABORTED INITIATIVE TO INVITE CUBA WAS NOT BY INSTRUCTION FROM FONOFF AND WOULD NOT REOCCUR.

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2. COMMENT: THROUGHOUT CONVERSATION I GOT DISTINCT

IMPRESSION THAT GOP DELEGATION WILL NOT INSIST ON EXTREME
PROPOSALS FOR RIO TREATY REFORMAND CAN EXPECT TO BE
REASONABLE AND MORE THAN USUALLY COOPERATIVE WITH OUR
DELEGATION.
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